

Graduate Course Assignment – SDACTE 2017

"Learning That Works for South Dakota 2017"
July 31-Aug 1, 2017

READ this <u>entire</u> document carefully and follow directions for registration and completing the requirements for credit.

Instructor:

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NOTE: Participants need to register for these workshops and make payment of \$45 on-line. Please register ON-LINE, before the conference if possible; however, registration can occur at conference as the final enrollment date for registration is Monday, July 31. ALL assignments are due NO LATER than Friday, August 4.

Directions for Registration:

Participants now have the opportunity to register for these workshops on-line. This is the safest and most preferred method. Go directly to http://reach.usiouxfalls.edu and search for "SDACTE" and the approved courses will be displayed. Payment must be made by e-check, credit or debit card.

For those registering by check or cash, participants can download the off-campus registration form from http://reach.usiouxfalls.edu (found under Policies & Information) and submit to Stacy Sandholm, USD Director of Workshops & Continuing Education. The cost per credit hour for an off-campus graduate or undergraduate workshop through the University of Sioux Falls is \$45.

PLAN: Plan your conference schedule carefully to ensure that you have met the 15 hour requirement for earning credit. The hours include Opening Session, Roundtable sessions, Tours/In-Depth Sessions, Cluster/Division Time, Networking/Working Luncheons, Breakout Sessions. Each of the hours counted must include educational experiences. Note: The Trade Show and Banquets/Socials do NOT count toward the 15 hours requirement.

The assignments that need to be completed are listed below.

Objectives for the course:

- 1. Provide professionally engaging, meaningful learning opportunities for prospective and current Career & Technical Educators.
- 2. Offer opportunities for CTE teachers to network with and inspire one another through active professional involvement.
- 3. Encourage CTE teachers to learn, analyze, and plan to apply new teaching practices and approaches that will strengthen them as educators.

Assignments:

Students enrolled in the course must complete three primary assignments, described below.

1. Log of Conference Sessions/Workshops: (15 points)

Using the document provided with this handout, students must keep an accurate, detailed record of the sessions/workshops they attend during conference. Each session must be "signed off on" by course instructor (Dr. Graves), division officer, or the session presenter at the Round Table sessions. Please do NOT ask keynote speakers to sign off. Dr. Graves and DeBates will be at the large group sessions to sign off. This log must be complete and turned in to Dr. Graves at the conclusion of the conference on **Tuesday, Aug 1**.

2. Reflection/Implementation Plan Paper: (50 points)

After reflecting on the conference sessions/workshops attended at the 2017 South Dakota Career and Technical Education Conference, students must complete a 3-5 page written reflection paper, highlighting the aspects of conference that were most beneficial to their career as a CTE teacher in the coming year. Specifically, they must identify three key "take-away" messages (from a keynote session and/or breakout workshop) and indicate how their instructional program, or teaching philosophy/practices will be impacted as a result. Measurable outcomes that document the impact must be included. The final paper, in a Word document format, must be submitted no later than Friday, August 4, 2017 to nicole.graves@sdstate.edu . NO exceptions. Dr. Graves does read and score all of the papers; if you want yours returned to you with her comments, please indicate that when you send in your paper to her.

3. Workshop Evaluation: (10 points)

To provide feedback for instructor(s) and guide the development of future workshop offerings, a workshop evaluation will be provided to each student enrolled. The completed evaluation must be submitted at the conclusion of conference after the Celebrate CTE! Closing Session OR emailed to Dr. Graves at the address listed above. The evaluation form is attached.

To receive a passing grade for the course, students must complete and submit all three required components.

Grading Scale:

A: 90% and above B: 80 – 89% C: 70 – 79% F: Below 70%

^{*}A detailed rubric for this assignment can be found on the back of this document.

Evaluation Rubric

| Rubric for Written Narrative | | | | | | | | |
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| Criteria | Distinguished (9-10) | Proficient (6-8) | Basic (4-5) | Unacceptable (1-2) | | | | |
| Relevance of workshops/sessions highlighted | Relevance is apparent. Clear evidence to support the importance of topics that will be discussed. | A good attempt is made as to why the topic is pertinent but may be slightly unclear, or lacking in insight. | May be unclear (contain many vague terms), appear unoriginal, or lack explanation). | No connection between workshops/sessions attended and respective content area. | | | | |
| Description of Take- Away Messages (x 2 = 20 points) | More than 3 clear examples of take-away messages gained from participating in this professional development; material well addressed; depth of coverage without being redundant. | At least 3 key take-away messages described and explained with sufficient clarity and depth. Clear benefit to participant by completing professional development. | Only 2 key take-away messages are included and described and/or insufficient depth of explanation. | 1 or no take-away messages described and explained. Reader is unsure of what participant gained from completion of professional development. | | | | |
| Impact of Learning | Clearly and articulately expressed the impact of professional development on instructional program and/or teaching philosophy and strategies. Evidence provided that indicate positive outcomes will result. | Described the intended impact of professional development on instructional program and/or teaching philosophy and strategies. Evident that useful information has been gained and there is a plan in place for incorporating it. | Vague or poorly described outcomes of professional development on instructional program and/or teaching philosophy and strategies. | No information on desired impacts on instructional program and/or teaching philosophy and strategies were included. | | | | |
| Mechanics: Organization, Grammar, Spelling, etc. | The ideas are arranged logically. Transitions link paragraphs. Consistently professional and appropriate. Free of grammatical and writing errors. | The ideas are arranged logically to support the central purpose Transitions usually link paragraphs. Generally professional and appropriate. A few grammatical and writing errors; not major distractions to reader. | In general, ideas are arranged logically, but sometimes ideas fail to make sense together. Not consistently professional or appropriate. Several grammatical and writing errors; the reader is distracted. | Ideas are not logically. organized. Frequently, ideas fail to make sense together. Not professional or appropriate. Pattern of ungrammatical writing; There are so many errors that meaning is obscured and reader confused. | | | | |

A Note About Transcripts

Transcripts should be available in September 2017.

USF will not issue a grade report to each participant; however, participants can request a transcript free of charge by downloading a transcript request form from www.usiouxfalls.edu.

SDACTE College Credit Log of Sessions

Turn this sheet in to **Nicole A. Graves** prior to leaving the conference.

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